

REMARKS

Claims 12, 14, 20 and 27 were pending in the present application. Claims 12, 14, and 27 have been canceled without prejudice to their presentation in another application. New claims 28 and 29 have been added, support for which can be found throughout the specification. No new matter has been added. Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 20, 28, and 29 will be pending.

As a preliminary matter, Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating at page 1 of the Office Action that claim 20 is allowable.

I. The Claimed Invention Is Not Obvious

Claims 12, 14 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application No. 2004/0267028, Smith et al., (hereinafter, the “Smith reference”). Although Applicants disagree with the reasoning set forth in the Office Action, solely to advance prosecution, claims 12, 14, and 27 have been canceled herein without prejudice to their presentation in another application. In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn.

II. The Claimed Invention Is Sufficiently Enabled

Claims 12, 14 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to provide an enabling disclosure. Although Applicants disagree with the reasoning set forth in the Office Action, solely to advance prosecution, claims 12, 14, and 27 have been canceled herein without prejudice to their presentation in another application. In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph be withdrawn.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. An early notice of the same is earnestly solicited. The Office is invited to contact

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Applicants' undersigned representative at 610.640.7859 if there are any questions regarding Applicants' claimed invention.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any underpayment of fee due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0436.

Respectfully submitted,

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